

Proclamation

Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS: Ovarian cancer causes more deaths than any cancer of the female reproductive system; and

WHEREAS: In women ages 35-74, ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer-related death; and

WHEREAS: Every woman is at risk for ovarian cancer, regardless of age, heritage, or medical history; and

WHEREAS: Diagnosis of ovarian cancer often does not occur until it has reached an advanced stage, making it the most deadly of all cancers of all gynecological cancers; and

WHEREAS: According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 22,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed this year with ovarian cancer and an estimated 14,270 women with the disease will die; and

WHEREAS: Because of the late diagnosis, 45 percent of women diagnosed with ovarian cancer die within five years; and

WHEREAS: Ovarian cancer is treatable when detected early. More than 92 percent of women survive longer than five years if the disease is detected and treated properly before it has spread beyond the ovaries; and

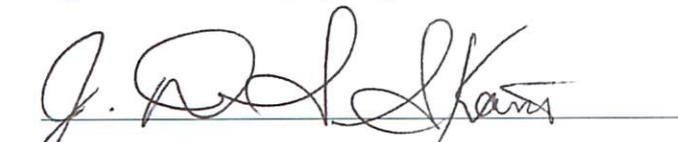
WHEREAS: Relatively little is known about ovarian cancer and more research is needed to develop prevention strategies, early detection tools, better therapies, and cures; and

WHEREAS: Women's lives will be saved by raising public awareness about ovarian cancer and educating doctors and women about the symptoms of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. David Skains, Mayor of Gun Barrel City do hereby proclaim the month of September to be **OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH in the City of Gun Barrel City, Texas.**

Signed this 28th day of August 2018.

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J. David Skains, Mayor

